



**ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD
APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING
Greenbelt Community Center
January 22, 2020
Minutes Prepared by Molly Porter**

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Syed Shamim, Ben Friedman, Maria Silvia Miller, Keith Chernikoff, Matthew Inzeo, and James Drake
COUNCIL PRESENT: Councilmember J Davis
STAFF PRESENT: Molly Porter
ALSO PRESENT: Macy Nelson, Susan Walker, and Bill Orleans

- II. Agenda approved as presented

- III. Minutes of January 15, 2020 approved as amended

- IV. Beltway Plaza Proposed Redevelopment- Preliminary Plan of Subdivision (PPS)

The Board continued their discussion about the Beltway Plaza Preliminary Plan of Subdivision. The discussion started with an outline of areas of concern for the Board, including the hillside on the east side of the property and questions about parking in the proposed redevelopment.

There was concern about the hillside on the east side of the property with respect to the safety of the area and this area not being usable open space. The Board then discussed how more usable open space could be incorporated into the project. The Board discussed the possibility of the removal of a proposed multifamily residential building on the southeast portion of the property to be replaced with publicly accessible open space. The Board also discussed the importance of masking the parking that is proposed to abut Greenbelt Road.

The next topic of discussion was the recreation component of the project. The Board agreed to defer to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board on this issue agreeing that a larger amount of interior space was needed and a monetary contribution was also needed to improve the space.

The Board then continued their discussion about parking and stated that many questions remain about this issue. There was consensus that at every Detailed Site Plan the Applicant needs to provide a parking study to understand how parking will be accommodated throughout the property.

The Board then discussed site access and their preference that no left turn onto Cherrywood Lane be permitted from the proposed southernmost access point. To accommodate traffic that was traveling towards Greenbelt Road from the Beltway Plaza property the Board recommended studying the feasibility of a traffic circle at proposed Street C.

Macy Nelson, attorney for Franklin Park, was in attendance and presented to the Board a review of traffic concerns that resulted from a University of Maryland Professor's review of the Applicant's Traffic Impact Study.

The Board then discussed a variety of topics including a dedicated shuttle to the Greenbelt Metro Station to be explored with Franklin Park, a ride-share drop off zone on Street D, moving proposed bus stops on Greenbelt Road, and a green roof on the existing Target that would be publicly accessible.

The Board then voted (5-0) to recommend that City Council support the Beltway Plaza Preliminary Plan of Subdivision with conditions.

V. New Business

No new business was discussed.

VI. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.